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The Honorable George H. Mahon
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Mahon:

This concerns our recent discussion regarding the relationship of the Central Intelligence Agency with the CIA Subcommittees of the Committees on Appropriations and Armed Services.

You will find that this subject is covered at some length in the debate on the so-called Mansfield Bill (S. Com. Res. 2) which took place on April 9 and 11, 1956, and is covered on pages 5290 - 5307, 5411 - 5426, 5428, and 5430 - 5431 of the Congressional Record. During this debate it was stressed, particularly by Senators Russell and Saltonstall, that there were formally constituted Subcommittees on Appropriations and Armed Services in both Houses that concern themselves with the CIA. The question was raised as to how often these Subcommittees met and it was stated that Armed Services generally met with the CIA two or three times a year and that the Appropriations Subcommittee met at least once a year. The proponents of the bill argued that this was insufficient to provide a thorough examination of CIA's activities, while the opponents of the proposal stated that they believed that Congress had ample authority to examine the Agency and that if there was any failure, it did not rest with the CIA.

Senator Hayden not only spoke against the bill, but also presented a rather lengthy exhibit summarizing his views, which is printed on pages 5422 and 5423 of the Congressional Record.

Enclosed are the pertinent extracts from the Congressional Record. Please do not hesitate to call on me if I may be of any further assistance in this regard.

Sincerely,

s/

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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UNITED STATES SENATE
Committee on Foreign Relations

29 January 1958

Honorable Allen W. Dulles
Director of Central Intelligence
Operations Coordinating Board
Executive Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

The Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate is planning a series of hearings to obtain information regarding the current foreign policies of the United States to enable the Committee to formulate such recommendations as may be appropriate to enable the United States to maintain, strengthen, or alter its foreign policies to the end that they may most effectively serve the national interest.

Although these hearings will be primarily devoted to problems of foreign policy, the Committee believes it should have the benefit of your views with respect to the relative military, political and economic strength of the United States and the Soviet Union. Some estimate of this relative strength is necessary if the Committee is to be in a position to undertake a realistic appraisal of our foreign policies.

On behalf of the Committee, therefore, I invite you to appear before it in Executive Session at 10 a.m., Friday, February 7, in the Foreign Relations Committee Room. It would be helpful if you come prepared to make an opening statement to the Committee, preferably not more than one-half hour in length, which might cover the following subjects: (a) evidence of present Soviet bloc military, political and economic strength; (b) evidence of present Soviet bloc military, political, and economic weakness; (c) a projection of elements of Soviet bloc strength and weakness over the next decade. You should not feel that your remarks need to be limited to these suggested subjects, although these are matters of principal concern to the Committee.

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There is enclosed a memorandum dated January 28, which indicates the other topics which will be considered by the Committee during the course of its hearings. If you have any questions with respect to the hearings, please feel free to call on Mr. Carl Marcy of the Committee staff, who is arranging the details of the hearings.

Sincerely yours,

signed

Theodore Francis Green
Chairman

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UNITED STATES SENATE
COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

MEMORANDUM

January 28, 1958

Policies and Procedures for Foreign Policy Review

I. PURPOSE:

It is the purpose of the Committee on Foreign Relations in scheduling these hearings to obtain information regarding the current foreign policies of the United States and to formulate such recommendations as may be found appropriate to enable the United States Government to maintain, strengthen, or alter policies to the end that they may most effectively serve the national interest.

II. PROCEDURE:

1. Witnesses for the scheduled portion of the hearings will be heard only upon invitation from the Committee.
2. Prior to appearance, witnesses will be informed of the general subjects they will be expected to cover in a prepared statement which will be a prelude to Committee examination of witnesses.
3. Except for testimony received in Executive Session, testimony will be available to witnesses for correction prior to publication. Executive Session testimony will not be published.

III. SCHEDULE

Hearing No. 1. Executive Session, Wednesday, February 5, 10 a.m., Foreign Relations Committee Room.

Subject: The Relative Military Strength of the United States and the Soviet Union.

Purpose: To provide background against which to judge the relative

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its foreign policy. Witnesses should be prepared to comment on the impact of Soviet developments on the Mutual Security Program, our overseas bases, reliance on allies, etc.

Hearing No. 2. Executive Session, ^{This} ~~Monday~~, February 6, 10 a.m., Foreign Relations Committee Room.

Subject: The Relative Military, Political and Economic Strength of the United States and the Soviet Union.

Purpose: To provide additional background against which to judge the relative positions of strength of the Soviet Union and the United States in economic as well as military matters. Invited witnesses should be prepared to comment primarily on evidences of Soviet and satellite strengths and weaknesses in military and economic fields and the rate of Soviet progress in these fields.

Hearing No. 3. Public Session, ~~Friday~~, February 7, 10 a.m.

Subject: The Relative Scientific, Cultural, and Educational Activities of the United States and the Soviet Union at Home and Abroad.

Purpose: To examine comparative attitudes of the Soviet Union and the United States in education of scientific personnel and draw from this examination conclusions as to its impact on foreign policy. Invited witnesses might be expected to comment on the philosophical approach of the democratic and communist systems in the education of scientists, and their respective attitudes toward educating exchange students.

Hearing No. 4. Public Session, Monday, February 17, 10:00 a.m.

Subject: Same as Hearing 3.

Purpose: To examine the cultural and educational activities of the Soviet Union within and without the Soviet sphere. The witnesses should be prepared to comment on broader aspects of Soviet education and culture and the export thereof.

Hearing No. 5. Public Session, Tuesday, February 18, 2:30 p.m.

Subject: The Soviet Economic Offensive

Purpose: To examine the scope and nature of Soviet Bloc Activities in the economic field.

Hearing No. 6. Public Session, Thursday, February 20, 10:00 a.m.

Subject: The Prestige and Influence of the United States Abroad.

Purpose: To determine the extent and the effectiveness with which the views of the United States are known abroad and the political impact of those views.

Invited witnesses might comment on the general attitude of foreigners toward the United States, and to suggest changes in information techniques and policies which might promote the national interest.

Hearing No. 7. Public Session. Date to be set.

Subject: Factors Bearing on United States Foreign Policy Unrelated to Communist Imperialism.

Purpose: To focus attention on social, economic, and political revolutions not directly related to Soviet activities. Witnesses might be expected to comment on the population explosion, nationalism, U.S. dependency on raw materials, etc.

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Hearing No. 8. Public Session. Date to be set.

Subject: Foreign Policy Problems in Europe.

Purpose: To consider problems of NATO and German reunification.

Witnesses should be prepared to comment on the relation of disarmament to political settlements and the implications of the common market and EURATOM on United States policy in the future.

Hearing No. 9. Public Session. Date to be set.

Subject: Foreign Policy Problems in the Far East.

Purpose: To examine significant problems of United States relations with peoples and governments of the area.

Witnesses might comment on Okinawa, Communist China^{and} intra-regional trade, and be asked to suggest the kinds of foreign policy problems the United States might expect to encounter in the future in this area.

Hearing No. 10. Public Session. Date to be set.

Subject: United States Policy in the Middle East.

Purpose: To explore ideas for promoting stability in the Middle East.

Witnesses might be asked to submit specific suggestions as to the posture the United States should assume in the area.

Hearing No. 11. Public Session. Date to be set.

Subject: United States Policy in Latin America.

Purpose: To consider overall policy toward Latin America.

Hearing No. 12. Public Session. Date to be set.

Subject: United States Relations with Canada.

Purpose: To devote attention to Canada because of her vital importance to the United States. Witnesses might be asked to comment on the outstanding problems of U.S.-Canadian relations and suggest ways in which those problems might be resolved.

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Hearing No. 13. Public Session. Date to be set.

Subject: United States Relations with South Asia.

Purpose: To examine in particular United States relations with India and Pakistan.

Hearing No. 14. Public Session. Date to be set.

Subject: Status of Western Alliance.

Purpose: To examine issues confronting the western alliance in the fields of trade, colonialism, and coordination of military efforts.

Hearings Nos. 15 and 16. Public Sessions. Dates to be set.

Subject: United States Foreign Policy on a Global Basis.

Purpose: To provide a general round-up during which members might highlight the subjects of their principal concern.

Attached to
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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

30 January 1958

To: Brig. Gen. Andrew J. Goodpaster, USA
Staff Secretary
The White House

Mr. Dulles, who is home ill today as you know, asked me to send you a copy of the attached letter from Senator Green together with its enclosure with the following comment: "This will require some thought."

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Executive Officer

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

3 February 1958

To: Mr. Hugh S. Cumming, Jr.
Director of Intelligence & Research
Department of State

Pursuant to your conversation with
the Director on 3 February, I am
forwarding herewith at his request
two copies of the letter from Senator
Green together with its enclosure.

I believe it was Mr. Dulles' thought
that you would pass a copy to the Secretary.

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Mr. Sheldon:

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requested that this be
returned to Exe Registry.

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